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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 460
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A RESOLUTION to congratulate the Wilson County Fair Board
upon receiving the State Champion Fair award.

WHEREAS, the Wilson County Fair was recently named State Champion Fair during the 76th Annual Tennessee Association of Fairs Convention, an accolade most befitting this popular and exciting annual Middle Tennessee event; and

WHEREAS, sponsored by the Tennessee Department of Agriculture and presented by Agriculture Commissioner Dan Wheeler, the award recognized those fairs in our state that excel in overall operations, provide educational value and promote local interest in agriculture and community spirit; and

WHEREAS, forty members of the Wilson County Fair Board were present at the awards ceremony held in Nashville, along with Heidi Hooberry, 1997 Fairest of the Fair; and

WHEREAS, the Wilson County Fair exhibits all of the qualities of excellence characteristic of a winning fair; fair promoters give unreservedly of their time and their talents to ensure that their fair showcases the best in Wilson County, including the pride, community spirit and togetherness that characterizes this outstanding area of our state; and

WHEREAS, the Wilson County Fair demonstrates the great traditions embedded in the community and reveals the quality of life Wilson Countians enjoy; held at the James E. Ward Agricultural and Community Center, the Fair continues to break attendance records each and every year; and

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WHEREAS, with an admirable attendance at 187,840 in 1997, an increase of 48,172 over 1996, observers say the Wilson County Fair has “the best carnival on the road”; the fair has received many awards in its history – a reflection upon all of the hard work of the all-volunteer Fair Board; and

WHEREAS, this year’s fair is scheduled for August 14-22; this year’s carnival will once again be provided by All-American Shows who will once again showcase the best they have to offer; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to pause in our deliberations to recognize the hard work of the Wilson County Fair Board for their selfless contributions to a valuable Middle Tennessee event and congratulate them upon receiving the prestigious State Champion Fair award; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby commend the hard work of the Wilson County Fair Board and congratulate them upon receiving the highest award in our state for fairs, the Department of Agriculture’s State Champion Fair award.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final resolving clause omitted from such copy.